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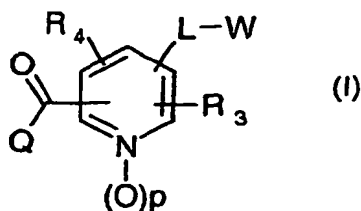
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(57) Abstract: Compounds of formula (I) wherein the substituents are as defined in claim 1, and the agrochemically acceptable salts and all stereoisomeric and tautomeric forms of compounds of formula (I) suitable for use as herbicides.

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1-5 all partially

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This International Searching Authority found multiple (groups of) inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. claims: 1-5 all partially

compounds of formula I in which Q is a group Q4  
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2. claims: 1-5 all partially

compounds of formula I in which Q is a group Q1  
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3. claims: 1-5 all partially

compounds of formula I in which Q is a group Q2  
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4. claims: 1-5 all partially

compounds of formula I in which Q is a group Q3  
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5. claims: 1-5 all partially

compounds of formula I in which Q is group Q1-Q4 and group  
L-W is varied according to the variations given in the  
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